

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund to address the systemic inequities of Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement that lead to access problems in rural areas, including access to primary care and outpatient services, hospitals, and an adequate supply of providers in the workforce.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—111th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. Con. Res. 13

Setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2009, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2011 through 2014.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. BENNET

Viz:

- 1 At the appropriate place in title II, insert the fol-
- 2 lowing:

1 **SEC. ____.** **DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND TO ADDRESS**
2 **THE SYSTEMIC INEQUITIES OF MEDICARE**
3 **AND MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT THAT LEAD**
4 **TO ACCESS PROBLEMS IN RURAL AREAS.**

5 The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budg-
6 et may revise the allocations of a committee or commit-
7 tees, aggregates, and other appropriate levels and limits
8 in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions,
9 amendments, motions, or conference reports that would
10 address the systemic inequities of Medicare and Medicaid
11 reimbursement that lead to access problems in rural areas,
12 including access to primary care and outpatient services,
13 hospitals, and an adequate supply of providers in the
14 workforce, by the amounts provided in such legislation for
15 those purposes, provided that such legislation would not
16 increase the deficit over either the period of the total of
17 fiscal years 2009 through 2014 or the period of the total
18 of fiscal years 2009 through 2019.